

# WØMTL — Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News — WØKEM

## SEPTEMBER, 2010



### HARC OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT:** HOWARD BARNES, KØDFW  
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**TREASURER:** TONY GILLILAND, WØPGL  
**TRUSTEE:** CLIFF AHRENS, KØCA  
**EDITOR:** BONNIE SINCLAIR, WBØWAP

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**Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday  
 SEPTEMBER 8, at 7:30 PM**

**Attention!! HARC members: Regular Meetings:**  
**Are now located at the following location**  
**starting on May 12th, 2010. This new location is**  
**just south across the road, and slightly uphill**  
**from Beth Haven Nursing Home. This is still a**  
**non smoking building.**

**Beth Haven Pleasant View  
 641 Euclid Avenue  
 Hannibal, Mo 63401**

**Enter at the main entrance, turn left to the**  
**elevator. Take the elevator to the second floor,**  
**and the clubs meeting room is directly across**  
**the hallway. See map directions on HARC**  
**website.**

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### **FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2010** **Hannibal, MO ARC 2010 Exam Dates** **October 13th, 2010**

Exams will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at Beth Haven Pleasant View, 641 Euclid St., Hannibal, MO. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the

team liaison, Fred Miller- KBØWIL at [kb0wil@arrl.net](mailto:kb0wil@arrl.net) or 573-221-2429.

The 2010 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

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### **HANNIBAL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES**



**Minutes by: Fred-KBØWIL HARC-Secretary**

**Date:** August 11th, 2010

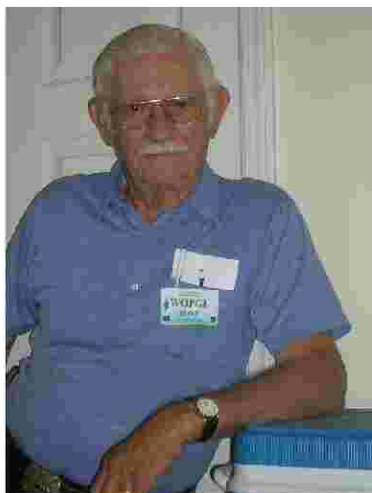
**Location:** Beth Haven Pleasant View  
 641 Euclid Ave. Hannibal Mo.63401

**Meeting called to order by:** Howie-KØDFW

**Minutes of previous meeting:**

**Motion to approve:** Don-KCØRML  
**Seconded by:** Ed-WA6JMR



**Treasurers report:** Tony-WØPGL

Cash-\$ 823.11 CD-\$1,290.00 Total-\$2,113.11

Motion to approve: Don-KCØRML

Seconded by: Don-KDØHHN

**Repeater report:** Fred-KBØWIL

The repeaters are working and sounding great, no problems.

**ARRL Memberships:**

If your a member of the ARRL and renew your membership through the club, we receive a small portion of your renewal fee. If interested, contact Fred-KBØWIL. Thank you to the members who have renewed through the club already.

**HARC Club Barbeque: July 31st, 2010 (Sat)****Update:**

We had our annual club barbeque on Saturday July 31st, at the Huckleberry Park Pavilion. Howie-KØDFW was the head chef, Tony-WØPGL and Fred-KBØWIL were his assistants. The weather was excellent all the food that was cooked, and all the carry in food was very delicious. We had (26) members, and there families attend. Howie-KØDFW did a most excellent job as head chef. Note: A special thank you to Lori Barnes, Howies XYL for being his gopher and gathering up all the

types of meat, and other various items. Without her, Howie would have probably forgotten something.

\*Fred-KBØWIL has reserved the Huckleberry Park Pavilion for next year on July 30th, 2011.

**Quincy Hamfest August 7th, 2010 Update:**

The WIARC Hamfest was on Saturday August 7th, 2010. The weather was hot as usual, but it was Sunny and not raining. It was a good turnout, from the Quincy club members, and the Hannibal Club members. They had some very good donuts this year, and this made Howie-KØDFW very happy, as he likes his donuts. We need to keep supporting this great local hamfest each year, we don't want it to stop. It is always a lot of fun purchasing items, and bartering with all the locals. That KØUBR guy, is hard to work with though, he doesn't like to come down from his marked prices, he would make a very good car salesman...lol.

**Redneck Retreat Annual Party Sunday August 8th, 2010 Update:**

The World Famous Redneck Retreat was held again this year at Carol-WA9EFV and Nancy his XYL place of abode. It was hot, but I don't believe I can blame it all on the weather. The stories, true, and made up on the go, produced a lot of Very Hot Air. Nancy had to run out several of the hot air culprits, from inside their home. The air conditioner couldn't keep up. Of course we all know that Carol wouldn't have been one of the main culprits. There were several there who did try to surpass Carol, in his story telling, but in the end, Carol was again King of the Hot Air. He has won this prestigious award since the beginning of the Redneck Retreat annual get together. A very special Thank You to Nancy (The General), Coonie (Sergeant of Arms) and of course Carol (Private) not quite a private first class yet, but he tries. We really appreciate all the great food, fun, and friendship we always have there. Thanks from everybody attending.

**HARC Supper/Get together on Saturday February 5th, 2011.\***

We will be going to Fiddlesticks Restaurant next year for the clubs annual supper. Start time 6:00PM. Luan-KC9PGS is in charge of reserving the room.



**50/50:** Won by Ed-NØWNV, and he donated it back to the club, thanks Ed. The club appreciates it.

**Donation:**

Cliff-KØCA donated (2) ARRL Technician and (2) ARRL General Class study manuals, to the club library. Thanks Cliff, for this great donation.

**A special Thank You again** to Luan-KC9PGS for bringing the great Rice-Krispie treats tonight. She always brings very good snacks. I think we should keep her as an officer, for the next 15-20 years or so.

**Number of members present:** 16

**Number of guests:** 2

**Total attending:** 18

**Motion to adjourn meeting:** Don-KDØHHN

Seconded by: John-KC9MMO

**HARC members:** We are able to purchase the following IBM Think pad T42 Laptops for \$150.00. They have a one year warranty, except for the battery. I have enclosed an attachment with all the information regarding these laptops. This a HARC price, if we purchase them through the club. Please let me know right away, if you are interested in purchasing one of these laptops. The seller was selling these at the Quincy hamfest, and I talked with him about a discount for the club.

IBM ThinkPad T42  
Pentium M 1.7 GHz  
1024 Meg Ram  
40 Gig Hard Drive  
Built-in Wireless  
DVD/CD-RW Drive  
Good Battery/AC Adapter

XP Pro Installed  
SP3 Installed  
Office 2003 Installed  
Nero Installed  
PowerDVD Installed  
\$250.00

Club member cost \$150.00

**Minutes of the meeting as recorded by:** Fred-KBØWIL HARC-Secretary

\* ARRL Assistant Director Midwest Division\*

**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**

**August 2010**

**BY HOWARD BARNES K0DFW**



Hey, it is September already, and the summer is slipping away from us. Once again, it is time to get your tower work and your antennas raised up for the winter onslaught. I think that I have most of mine done, except for a wire antenna for the low bands, and I have been searching for the right one to put up and use.

The bands, I have understood, have been decent with some rare DX being worked. I don't know what, if any, special DX peditions there are going on at present, but if you talk around, you can get updated very quickly.

We have had some severe storms this last month, and one of our members, Carol, WA9EFV, got hit by a stroke of lighting, doing major damage to all his equipment, and household furnishings as well. Man, he had better get down on his knees, and thank the good Lord for sparing his house. It could have went up in smoke just as fast as the ham equipment. There has been a rumor, that everyone in the club has nicknamed him "Sparky". I really don't now why! :-)

I hear a rumor that JD, W0AJD is doing some tower work at his home, and is getting ready to radiate from it in the near future. I heard that Jack, WD9CHG is the engineer, and labor in this project. If anyone knows how to put up a tower, it would be Jack!

The club has a deal going with a dealer out of the Twin Cities of Minnesota, that refurbish laptop computers, and has a good selection of them. I bought one for myself, thru the club, at a good price, and they are available if anyone needs



a laptop. The club gets a special discount if you go thru the club for it. These things are really nice shape, and he stands behind them with a warranty. If you're interested contact one of the club officers.

If you missed the club bar b que you missed a good one. The food was great, and the companionship was even better. We had plenty of food for all, and then some, and wish we had a better attendance than we did. Hey, free food .... What does it take to get a club to participate?

If anyone has a short program that they could do for the club at the next meeting, it would really be nice, or just have a show and tell. Got something new; bring it, and we will talk about it. Building an antenna; discuss it with the club, and get other people involved with it. I am trying to get the club members themselves to participate in the club, and be part of it. Let me know if you're interested. See you at the next meeting on September 8, at 7:30 pm, at our usual meeting place.

73s Howard, K0DFW

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## DX Horizons September 2010 by Mike Nowack NA9Q



**DX Notes**  
by na9q  
& News...

DX News and Notes for September

What an exciting time to be a ham and in particular, a DX'er. The new solar cycle is showing steady improvement and as a result the bands are steadily improving. Most days offer good opportunities for working DX and 20M is staying open into the evenings. And now, for the first time in many years several significant changes are about to take place in the Current DXCCC Countries List.

Political changes are about to take place for the citizens and hams of the Netherlands Antilles (PJ2/PJ4 and PJ5/PJ6/PJ7) and as a result, their status for DXCC will change as well. On October 10, 2010 the Netherlands Antilles will cease to exist as a country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The national status of the many islands within the group will change, however not all will change in the same manner. As a result the islands will emerge with several new statuses:

St. Maarten and Curacao will each become an independent country within the Kingdom gaining the same status that Aruba attained in 1986. Bonaire, Saba and St. Eustatius (also called BES islands) will each be given the status of a public body (a kind of special municipality) in the Netherlands and will therefore remain directly under Dutch rule.

What does this mean for us DXer's? Here is what is expected to happen, pending the decision of the DXAC. The two current DXCC entities of PJ2/PJ4 (Leeward Islands) and PJ5/PJ6/PJ7 (Windward Islands) are expected to be deleted as of October 10th. However, several new entities are likely to emerge on that date. St. Maarten (PJ7) and Curacao (PJ2) due to their independent status will each become new DXCC entities. Bonaire (PJ4) due to its new public body status will become a new DXCC entity. Although Saba (PJ6) and St. Eustatius (PJ5) will each also become public bodies they will form a single DXCC entity due to their close proximity to each other.

In short, 2 entities will disappear, but 4 new ones will be added to the list. The net result is that the DXCC list will expand to 340. It has been a long time since so many changes to the list took place all at once. And the good news is that several DX groups along with the locals will be activating these



new countries on October 10 as well as during the CQWW events this fall.

If you have not yet worked both of the current DXCC entities in the Netherland Antilles, you will want to do this before October 10 or forever wish you had.

#### Other DX news for September:

**RWANDA, 9X.** Tom is QRV as 9X0TL and has been active on 20 meters using either CW or RTTY between 2200 and 0000Z. QSL via DL2RUM.

**JORDAN, JY.** Ali, JY4NE has been active using RTTY on 20 meters around 2100z. QSL via K3IRV.

**VIETNAM, XV.** Malcolm, VK6LC will be QRV through September 10 as XV2LC from Ho Chi Minh City and as XV4LC from the Mekong Delta. Look for him mostly on CW with some SSB. QSL via VK6LC.

**RODRIGUEZ ISLAND, 3B9.** Giorgio, IZ4AKS will be active as 3B9/IZ4AKS until September 4. Activity will be holiday style. Look for him on 40-10 meters, mainly SSB, but possibly RTTY and CW as well. QSL direct only.

**PALAU, T8.** Operators Takio, JH3QFL and Haruki, JH3KEA will be active as T88TB and T88KH, respectively, from September 19 to 22. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to their home call sign or via the bureau.

**TRISTAN DA CUNHA AND GOUGH ISLANDS, ZD9.** John, ZS1LF will be active as ZD9GI from Gough Island (AF-039) between September 2010 and September 2011. Activity will be on 160-10 meters mainly on SSB, but possibly some digital modes later. QSL direct to: Johan Sevenster, 2 Roozeboom STR - de Bron, Bellville, 7530, South Africa, or via the bureau.

**9M2/9M8 AND V8, WEST/EAST MALAYSIA AND BRUNEI.** Hans, DF5UG, will once again be active from West & East Malaysia (9M2QQ, 9M8QQ) and Brunei (V85QQ) for the next three weeks.

**TF, ICELAND.** Operators Rene/DL2JRM and Netti/DO6XX are to be active as TF/homecall/p from Iceland (EU-021, WLOTA LH 2975) between September 18-23rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW, using 100 watts into GP. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

**TO2, MAYOTTE.** Operators Fabio/PY2AAZ/AC2AC, Anderson/PY2TNT, Fred/PY2XB and Alex/PY2WAS will be active as TO2FH between September 3-10th (not in 2011 as first announced). No other details were provided.

**VK0M, MACQUARIE ISLAND.** Reports indicate that Kevin, VK4KEV, is expected to be operating as VK0KEV from Macquarie Island (AN-005) sometime between the end of October and beginning of December 2010 for possibly up to 18 months. Activity will be mostly on 40 and 20 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. Presently, Kevin is operating as VK4KEV/VK7, in Hobart, Tasmania, while undergoing training for his upcoming long stay on Macquarie. More details are forthcoming.

Thanks to the OPDX Bulletin and the ARRL DX Bulletin for much of the preceeding information. Good DX and 73, Mike NA9Q

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### HARC MONDAY NIGHT NET CALL LIST OF VOLUNTEER OPERATORS SEPTEMBER 2010

6	KB9VIS	BRIAN
13	KC9PGS	LUAN
20	WØAJD	JD
27	WØPGL	TONY

THANKS TO ALL!

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### GOOD UPDATE ON AREA REPEATERS

The 146.700 at Monroe City is up, and linked to 145.190. The 146.835 is up, and linked to the

145.190, and they have a beam at Louisiana headed at Hannibal & Quincy to receive into the 145.190 machine. Gary NØSYL said to put the word out. So now we should have a pretty good link to National Weather Service at St. Louis, as they do use 145.190. OK the word is out. Keep an eye on the sky. ;-) 73's Oral KØUBR

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*Of all the gifts you could give  
A US Soldier, Prayer is the very best one.*

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### **FOR SALE:**

Yaesu 101E, FL 2100 B - Extra finals, Two Mics (one hand and Desk mic) Plus Operation Manuals.

Will need \$550.00 Will meet half way to Hannibal if any one is interested .

Tnx Bill KB9VCA

Bill Heneghan  
IN GOD WE TRUST

### **Quincy Hamfest August 7th, 2010 PICTURES**



**LOOK WHO IS GETTING ALL THE BARGAINS!**



**GUESS WHO!**



**WOW! WHAT A BUNCH OF HAMS!**





**WOW! WHAT A BUNCH OF HAMS!**



**CAROL & NANCY**



**COONIE**



**REDNECK OFFICE**



**DIE HARD REDNECK**



That KØUBR guy, is hard to work with, he doesn't like to come down from his marked prices, right Don, KC0RML

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### **Redneck Retreat Annual Party Sunday** **August 8th, 2010 PICTURES**

We all know that the Redneck Retreat is in celebration of Carol WA9EFV's birthday. We won't tell how old he is, but we wish him many more years, as this is a very fun event, and the food is scrumptious. The Bartlett's sure know how to put on a good get together. Thanks, Carol, Nancy, and Coonie for the invite to your home.



**WOW! LOT OF REDNECKS!**



**WOW! LOT OF REDNECKS!**



**TWO SPECIAL LADIES! We Love Them!**



**PRETTY LADY REDNECKS!**



**NOW THIS IS A GOOD PICTURE!**



**PRETTY LADY REDNECKS!**



**WOW! LOT OF REDNECKS!**



**CHIEF REDNECK!****REDNECK LOVERS!!! SO CUTE!!**

**PRESENTATION TO TOM TOM'S SON!  
THIS YEARS REDNECK RETEAT WAS IN TOM TOM'S HONOR**



**WHO'S ANNIVERSARY, AND HOW MANY??  
AREN'T THEY JUST TOO SWEET! Cake was good too!  
A LOT OF FUN WAS HAD BY ALL!!**

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### FIVE FINGER PRAYER

1. Your **thumb** is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty."
2. The **next finger** is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. The **next finger** is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. The **fourth finger** is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. And lastly comes our **little finger** - the smallest finger of all which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.



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